



# G-5's "Eye on AMC"

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### **DoD approves deviation for LOGCAP contract**

The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (Policy and Procurement) has approved the U.S. Army Field Support Command's request for a deviation to Federal Acquisition Regulation clause 52.216-26, "Payments of Allowable Costs before Definitization" under the Logistics Civil Augmentation Program Contract Number DAAA09-02-D-0007.

This deviation authorizes AFSC to reimburse and make payment to the LOGCAP prime contractor, Kellogg, Brown and Root, on undefinitized task orders at rates up to 100 percent of allowable prime contractor and subcontractor costs until June 30, the expiration date, or until the contract actions are definitized, whichever comes first.

If the FAR clause had been implemented, the contractor would have been reimbursed for only 85 percent of its cost until the task order was definitized, which could have negatively impacted the services provided to deployed Soldiers and civilians, according to AFSC officials.

The LOGCAP contract provides support services to Soldiers and civilians in the field to include life support, base operations and maintenance, dining facilities, laundry services and logistics operations. AFSC manages the contract.

### **AMC establishes new Forward Support Battalion**

AMC is rapidly establishing a new Forward Support Battalion at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan to bring new capabilities to the theater.

The FSB-AF is setting up an Equipment Support Activity that will refurbish vehicles and equipment in theater to increase life expectancy. In addition, the ESA will complete add-on-armor installation to all designated vehicles and transition into GS-level maintenance. Officials anticipate setting up AoA sites at Kandahar and Salerno are in the FSB-AF's future.

Establishing the ESA will enhance the operational readiness of the Operation Enduring Freedom Combined/Joint Area of Operations as well as save millions of dollars in transportation costs for the theater, said Lt. Col. Martin Binder, FSB-AF commander.

### **Tobyhanna, Corpus Christi join forces to keep Black Hawks flying**

Tobyhanna Army Depot has established a Forward Repair Activity at Corpus Christi Army Depot to facilitate the repair of avionics equipment in Black Hawk helicopters maintained at the Texas depot. The new work relationship is formalized in a memorandum of agreement for an avionics components repair and return project, part of a Black Hawk recapitalization program at CCAD.

The UH-60A-to-A Recap program at CCAD will refurbish 20 Black Hawk helicopters each year for the next eight years and return them to the Warfighter. CCAD is significantly reducing the aircraft restoration turnaround times, but the CCAD/Tobyhanna relationship is expected to further reduce the time it takes to have operational avionics returned to the "recapped" helicopters. Many items have already been repaired at CCAD and returned to the Recap line for installation.

"This is a time and cost-saving program for both depots. It shows that we can and will go to any length to prepare our Warfighters to be ready when they are called," said Jerry Conrad, an electronics mechanic leader in Tobyhanna's Avionics/Intelligence and Electronics Warfare Systems Directorate.

### **Did you know...**

AMC awarded a record \$5.4 billion to small businesses in fiscal year 2004. Small businesses represent 99.7 percent of all employers in the United States, employ half of all private sector employees, generate 60 to 80 percent of net new jobs annually over the last decade, and produce 13 to 14 times more patents per employee than large patenting firms. In addition, small businesses employ 39 percent of high-tech workers.